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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act Concerning Animal Control Officers as Reporters of Abuse'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §3477, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Permitted reporters. An animal control officer, as defined in Title 7, section 3907, subsection 4, may report to the department when that person has reasonable cause to suspect that an incapacitated or dependent adult has been or is at substantial risk of abuse, neglect or exploitation.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §4011-A, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Permitted reporters. An animal control officer, as defined in Title 7, section 3907, subsection 4, may report to the department when that person knows or has reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been or is likely to be abused or neglected.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. It allows municipal animal control officers to report suspected adult abuse, neglect or exploitation and suspected child abuse or neglect.